WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method permitting description of audiovisual information characterized as an entity for describing non-relational parts of a semantic description, and employing a concept which is a collection of properties of the audiovisual information, the method comprising:

determining a match for the entity in the concept;

determining a match for a relationship the entity has with the concept; and

building a graph that links the entity to one or more portions of the concept to produce a description of the audiovisual information.

2. The method of claim 1 further comprising storing an abstract of the description for use as templates.

3. The method of claim 1 further comprising storing the abstract in classification schemes or dictionaries.

4. A method for use in classifying, storage and retrieval of visual information, the method using the elements of a semantic description to describe arbitrary structure related to the audiovisual information, the method comprising,

providing entities describing non-relational parts of the semantic description, the entities including a concept having a collection of properties of the audiovisual information, and

referencing one or more interior structures of the concept from all entities in the semantic description.

5. The method of claim 4 further comprising 91 augmenting a description field in a classification scheme or dictionary of descriptions to allow description of term by employing the concept.

6. The method of claim 4 further comprising 91 construing links between the one or more entities as classification schemes or dictionaries for storage.

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